THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Jon A. Wolff, James E. Hagstrom, Sean D. Monahan, David B. Rozema, Vladimir G. Budker Serial No.: 09/881,326 William Sandals Examiner: Filed: June 14, 2001 Group Art Unit: 1636

For: Charge Reversal of Polyion Complexes

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2001 for three months from September 17, 2001 to December 17, 2001. The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A credit card payment form is enclosed to cover the \$460.00 extension fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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